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In re Application of:

Hans SIGRIST et al.

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Examiner:

Arun K. Chakrabarti

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. \$1.17 TECH CENTER 1600/2900

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified application. The shortened statutory period having expired June 13, 2002, it is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for three months. There is also attached our Check No. 15777 in the amount of \$920.00 in payment for:

- Extension fee for response within first month pursuant to \$1.136(a) (\$110.00) [\$55.00].
- _ Extension fee for response within second month pursuant to \$1.136(a) (\$400.00) [\$200.00].
- X Extension fee for response within third month pursuant to \$1.136(a) (\$920.00) [\$460.00].

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PLEASE ACCEPT THIS AS AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT OR CREDIT FEES TO DEP. ACCT. 16-0331 PARKHURST & WENDEL

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 16-0331. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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